IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Andrew J. RIES et al. Docket No.: P11122.00

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DEVICE

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed August 30, 2006, having a three-month statutory period for response set to expire on November 30, 2006, entry and consideration of the following is respectfully requested. A request for a one-month extension of time is included herein, thereby extending the period for response to December 30, 2006.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 13-2546.